

Proposed Bill No. 870

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Referred to Committee on Education

Introduced by: SEN. LEBEAU, 3rd Dist.

AN ACT CONCERNING THE IMPOSITION OF SANCTIONS AND FINES ON PRINCIPALS WHO FAIL TO REPORT A PHYSICAL ASSAULT ON SCHOOL EMPLOYEES BY A STUDENT, A CAUSE OF ACTION FOR SCHOOL EMPLOYEES WHO ARE VICTIMS OF A PHYSICAL ASSAULT BY A STUDENT, AND THE IMPOSITION OF SANCTIONS AND FINES ON MANDATED REPORTERS WHO FAIL TO REPORT.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 That subsection (a) of section 10-233g of the general statutes be 2 amended to impose a fine of not less than five hundred dollars nor 3 more than two thousand five hundred dollars on principals who fail to 4 report a physical assault made by a student upon a teacher or other 5 school employee and require such principal to participate in an 6 educational training program established by the Department of 7 Education; that section 10-236a of the general statutes be amended to 8 permit any teacher or school employee who has been the victim of a 9 physical assault made by a student to bring a civil action in the 10 Superior Court for the payment of back wages, employee benefits or 11 other financial loss and expense incurred as a result of such assault 12 and permit any such teacher or school employee to file a complaint 13 with the chairman of the Workers' Compensation Commission for the 14 payment of back wages, employee benefits or other financial loss and

- 15 expense incurred as a result of such assault; and that section 17a-101a
- of the general statutes be amended to impose a fine of not less than
- 17 five hundred dollars nor more than two thousand five hundred dollars
- 18 on any mandated reporter who fails to report a violation of such
- 19 section and require such mandated reporter to participate in an
- 20 educational training program established by the Department of
- 21 Education

Statement of Purpose:

To impose sanctions and fines on principals who fail to report a physical assault on a teacher or school employee by a student, to permit the victim of a physical assault by a student to file a claim in the Superior Court or file a complaint with the chairman of the Workers' Compensation Commission, and to impose sanctions and a fine on a mandated reporter who fails to report as required by law.